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Sudden Death From Apoplexy

Just as she was ready to drive with her husband to the village Wednesday afternoon about 3 o'clock, Mrs. Bertha Bigelow, wife of Joseph Bigelow, a farmer on the Wadsworth road two miles from town, dropped dead from a stroke of apoplexy, at the age of 57 years and 4 months.

Mrs. Bigelow apparently had been in the best of health and was down town a day or two before her death. While she was preparing to go to town Wednesday, Mr. Bigelow went out to hitch up and when ready, called to his wife. Upon no response from repeated calls he entered the house and found Mrs. Bigelow on the bed unconscious. A physician was speedily summoned, but death came in a very few moments.

The deceased was a Christian woman, beloved and respected by all who knew her.

She is survived by the husband and five children: Mrs. Cora Wilbur and Miss Mary Bigelow of Cleveland, Mrs. Lucy Blanchard of Medina, John Bigelow of Kams Corners and George Marlin Bigelow of Berea, all of whom were present at the funeral.

The last rites will be held at the home on Saturday at 10:30 o'clock, and at the Church of Christ, Medina, at 11:30, conducted by Rev. Charles Scaries of the Church of Christ at Hinkley. Burial at Spring Grove cemetery.

Oldest Man in County Dead

Zebina Day, Medina county's "grand old man," is dead. Conceded to be the oldest man in the county, he had nearly rounded out a hundred years of life. He would have been 98 years old had he survived until the 19th day of next October.

Zebina Day, born Oct. 19, 1817 at Lee, Oneida county, New York, and died at the home of his daughter, Laura J. Clark of Chippewa Lake on Jan. 22, 1915, at the age of 97 years, 3 months and 3 days.

The deceased was a son of William and Margaret Dinnan Day, and the second son of a family of 12 children.

He came to Lafayette, Medina county, with his father's family in 1830, working on his father's farm until he reached manhood. At this time he began working at the carpenter trade, which he followed the greater part of his active life. At the age of 22 years he was married to Miss Caroline Chapman of Wayne county, O. To this union a son and daughter were born, the former having died at the age of eight years. The daughter, Mrs. Laura Clark, lives at Chippewa Lake.

The companion of his youth died in 1857. A second wife was Mrs. Annie Denis Long of Mason City, Iowa.

For a time he served as a teamster in the war of the Rebellion. In 1868 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Jane Johnson, also of Mason City, Iowa. He lived in the West for a period of years, including a residence in Iowa, Missouri and South Dakota. Coming back to Ohio he settled at Chippewa Lake, where he has since resided. His third wife died in 1896. Since this bereavement he has lived with his daughter, Mrs. L. Clark, where he received the tender care and enjoyed pleasant and comfortable surroundings, the widowed daughter and the father cheering each other.

In politics he was a Republican, but not the aggressive kind, having his opinions and allowing everyone the same privilege.

The greater part of his life time he had been a church member. At the start, he was a Methodist. In Dakota he worshipped with the Congregationalists. Upon settling at Chippewa Lake, he joined the United Brethren church of which he was a member at the time of his death.

He was quiet in manner and showed by his regularity in attendance and faithfulness to church and neighborly duties that the spirit of true Christianity dwelt within him.

In summing up the features of his character we cannot but review the daily beauty of a life devoted to the better part of life's welfare.

Funeral services were held at the U. B. church at Chippewa Lake on Monday, January 25, at 10:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Whitehair. Burial was made in Spring Grove cemetery.

The deceased is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Laura J. Clark of Chippewa Lake; two grand children, Wm. Clark of Lexington, O., and Mrs. Henry Derhammer of Chippewa Lake; four great-grand-children, Mrs. Perry Eakens of Chippewa Lake, Miss Louisa Clark of Medina, Mrs. Dan Nickle of Chicago and Miss Dorothy Derhammer of Lakewood, O., and five great-grand-children; one brother, Jonathan, living in Mendon, Mich.; two nieces, Mrs. John McElroy of Lafayette and Mrs. George Elsworth of Medina; two nephews and four nieces living in and about Michigan.

ROBBERS REAP SMALL

Thieves entered the Erie station at Wadsworth Friday night and reaped the rich haul of 88 cents from the desk of the clerk, Jack Collier. They pried open the door and made an easy entrance.

The same band, undoubtedly, who entered the depot, also broke in the glass of the I. N. Geisinger grocery store at the south end and after entering squeezed the cash register for the money having been fortunately the sum of three pennies, the rest of removed from it by the proprietor that evening.

Great Interest in Sentinel's Big Subscription Offer

Nineteen days' tour of the World's Fair at San Francisco, The Panama-California Exposition at San Diego and all the principle points of interest of our own Big Golden West. The ballot-box will be in place tomorrow and the voting will begin.

Judging from present indications, the Sentinel's most liberal offer of free vacation tours to four representative ladies of this section, seems destined to be a great success. As the exceedingly liberal nature of this offer becomes more fully understood more and more of the popular and prominent young ladies of Medina and the entire community are becoming interested in the enterprise and are entering the friendly campaign with much enthusiasm. Oh how wonderful it all will be. It is without a doubt a rare opportunity for securing a high class tour of our own America, of which we are so proud. It is a tour that offers unusual educational advantages, a tour that will be enjoyed and appreciated by teachers and students; and in fact, all who appreciate that which broadens the mind and gives one the practical knowledge that is gained only by travel. You will have a chance to see the greatest, grandest and most colossal exhibitions the world has ever known. You will travel in solid Pullman cars and will be entertained during the entire trip. Every luxury of modern American railway travel will be provided. You will enjoy side trips to all the principle points of interest enroute, such as Pike's Peak, The Royal Gorge, The Great Salt Lake, Garden of the Gods, Chinatown at San Francisco,

The Big Tree District, the Orange Groves, ostrich farms, San Gabriel Mission, etc., etc. All the arrangements for the accommodation and entertainment of the party have been made in advance, and the necessary cost of the entire trip will be paid by this paper. But this is not all. There will be no losers in this campaign for all those who enter and work to the end and do not win the trip in their district will receive ten per cent. commission on all business turned in by them.

We publish today the names of those already nominated. The names thus far received prove the truth of our promise that the ranks of the active contestants for these delightful trips would be made up from the best families in this part of the state. Prominent business men have endorsed our enterprise and have congratulated us upon offering our local people such a treat. No young lady will hesitate to enter or to compete with these already entered, as the candidates are representative people and honor will go with being the successful one.

It is run upon a system complete in each detail. The list is large, showing great interest already aroused by this unusual offer, but it is not yet complete, for the offer is open to all eligible young ladies, married or single in the three districts, and many more names are certain to be proposed by their friends each day.

Nor is it to be expected that all or even a majority will develop into active contestants, as many of those named will for various reasons, not

be able to make the race and will be withdrawn.

In the list however, are the names of many young ladies who will become live candidates and are already doing preliminary work. Do you see your name in the list of your district? If not and you are interested in the Sentinel's great tour offered you are invited to send in your nomination and enter the race, which is open to any lady eligible at any time. Every candidate will have an equal chance to win, and the fortunate ones will earn their honors solely upon their merits as vote getters.

The Ballot Box

The ballot box will be placed Saturday at the Sentinel office. The ballots will be allowed to accumulate in the ballot box until next Thursday evening, when the first count will be made and the result published in Friday's Sentinel, after which votes will be counted every Thursday evening and added to the standing of the various candidates in that week's issue.

It should be the object of all contestants to make a good showing in the first count of votes. Out-of-town contestants can send in their subscriptions by mail if not convenient to come to the office, sending check or money order for the amount.

Subscribers paying to the office direct, instead of to the contestants, can have their votes credited to anyone they wish.

All Sentinel readers should save the voting coupons as they appear in the paper, voting them for the young lady of their choice. These ballots may be deposited in the ballot box

in the Sentinel office, sent by mail, or given to the contestant herself, and in order to count, must be voted before the date of expiration appearing upon each coupon.

If you are in doubt upon any point call up or consult the manager of the tour department and the matter will be made clear to you. Full information is to be had for the asking.

Complete details regarding the rules and methods of the campaign, and all necessary plans, such as circular letters to be mailed by contestants to their out-of-town friends, subscription blanks, etc., are on hand in sufficient quantity to supply every need of the contestants and will be given to all eligible who enter the campaign, upon request. The tour department manager will endeavor to call upon the young ladies who have been nominated, explaining the scope of the great enterprise, but as the number is so large, time will be saved if those desiring to compete will call or phone the Sentinel office for information, necessary blanks, etc. The office is open on Monday, Thursday and Saturday evenings from 7 to 9 o'clock.

In voting clipped coupons, candidates and their friends are requested to pin or tie them in flat bunches of 25 or less marking the number on the top coupon for depositing in the ballot box.

The following is the list of nominations received up to the time of going to press.

We will appreciate corrections of any errors in districts given.

FOUR ITALIANS SUSPECTED IN MURDER CASE

John Lanzo, young Italian of Wadsworth who was shot three times last week Tuesday morning while on his way to work and but a short distance from his home, died Friday morning.

Dr. Strong of Medina held a post mortem examination and states that any one of the wounds doubtless would have caused death. Burial was made in Woodlawn cemetery, Wadsworth, Saturday afternoon. The funeral was held at the boarding house, Father Ryan, of the Catholic church, conducting the services.

Lanzo had no relatives in this country, but a large number of his Italian friends in Wadsworth paid respect to the dead by escorting the body to the burying ground in the Catholic portion of the cemetery.

The sweetheart of the murdered man, 16-year-old Antonia Arrego, is broken-hearted over his death, and refused to be comforted during all day Saturday, when she remained at home weeping.

Frank Boota, the Cleveland Italian who was arrested and brought to Wadsworth on suspicion soon after the shooting of Lanzo, proved conclusively that he was in Cleveland at the time of the murder. He was given freedom, and has remained ever since at the Lanzo boarding house, which is kept by Boota's sister, Mrs. Arrego. Boota declared Saturday that he was a friend of the dead man, and was entirely taken by surprise when arrested by police in Cleveland. Boota had shot and killed Lanzo's brother about a year ago, and this, together with the fact that he objected to the friendship of Lanzo with the Arrego girl, who is his niece, was the ground on which he was arrested.

Determined to find the slayer of Lanzo, Wadsworth officials have called in Detective George Martino, Italian of Akron, who has already successfully brought to justice several Italian offenders.

Authorities are convinced that Lanzo was a Black Hand victim.

That Prosecutor Underwood made no mistake in engaging the services of Detective Martino was evidenced Tuesday morning, less than two days from the time the latter took hold of the case, when he ran down four members of a recognized Black Hand gang, grilling them and was ready to turn them over to the county authorities. In the absence of Sheriff Gehman, Deputy Floyd Pelton and Prosecutor Underwood went to Wadsworth Tuesday morning, brought the quartet to Medina and placed them in the county jail.

They gave their names as Lofidice Onofrio, Dominico Cacciola, Salvatore Cattafini and Antonino Orisolfello.

Through Sam Arrego, at whose home John Lanzo lived, Detective Martino learned that Arrego had been held up some time ago by a gang of which at least one of the men now under arrest was a member, and money extorted from him. The same gang later, it is said, extorted, or at least attempted to extort money from John Lanzo. In both cases, it is alleged, the victims were threatened with death if they refused.

One of the men arrested—Dominico Cacciola, whom Detective Martino regards as the ring-leader, is wanted in Fulton, New York, for having nearly killed a bar-tender, Martino had a picture of Cacciola in his possession when the latter was apprehended and when confronted with it Cacciola admitted, it is claimed, that such was the case.

Detective Martino, though an Italian, looks more like a native American and speaks the latter language fluently. Thus the four men arrested discussed their predicament rather freely in the presence of the detective before they discovered that they were speaking in the vernacular of a fellow countryman. The latter, it is reported, gleaned sufficient evidence from the conversation to warrant holding the men.

While the men were unarmed when arrested, each had a gun in his room, besides a knife. The guns were loaded.

It is known that there are at least six members of the gang, two of whom have been missing for several days. It does not appear at this time that any one of them under arrest actually perpetrated the crime, but it is practically certain that one of the gang, to which these men belong, did it and that one or four know every detail leading up to it.

The Sentinel commends Prosecutor Underwood in his initiative in employing Detective Martino. However, the expense attending the detective's work may encroach heavily upon the prosecutor's regular allowance, and we believe that the County Commissioners would conserve the best interests of the public were they to authorize Prosecutor Underwood to make any move that appears to be expedient in the bringing to justice the slayer of John Lanzo, regardless of expense. The crime was one of the worst and done with a boldness that is amazing.

Detective Martino arrived in Medina Wednesday noon and went at once to the office of Prosecutor Underwood. Shortly afterward, in company with the prosecutor, Deputy Sheriff Pelton and the editor of the Sentinel, Detective Martino visited the jail for another conference with the prisoners. Cacciola was singled out for another grilling and the writer was detailed by Detective Martino to take down the questions and answers stenographically. During the conversation Cacciola admitted that he with others had extorted money from Ar-

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Girl Suicide Known Here

The mysterious death from poison of Miss Etta Millicent Graham in Cleveland a week ago, but not reported by the coroner until last Saturday, is of specially local interest, as the deceased's room-mate was Miss May Thatcher, a Medina girl and cousin of Miss Evelyn Thatcher, deputy county clerk of Medina.

The latter of whom was an acquaintance of the Graham girl, who had visited the Thatchers here about a year ago. Miss Graham, 22, was a stenographer for Secretary Robert Lewis of the Central Y. M. C. A. of Cleveland. Her home was in Lowell, Mass. She had been a student at Oberlin for several years and while there secured her living by working in the family of an uncle of Miss Evelyn Thatcher. While in Oberlin it is reported that she was subject to melancholia and that it was when under one of those spells she surreptitiously left for Cleveland, leaving a note that she was without money and that there was nothing left for her to do but to go to the city and get work. Sometime later she formed the acquaintance of Miss May Thatcher, through whose efforts she secured the position at the Y. M. C. A.

That it was suicide, while under a mental aberration that may have been due to an injury to the girl's spine, was the opinion expressed by Dr. Minabel Snow, physician. Substantiating this belief based on her professional knowledge of Miss Graham's condition, Dr. Snow cited a note left by the young woman and despondent remarks she had made from time to time.

The note referred to, as well as other letters found in the dead girl's room, point to eraticism or melancholia, or both. All the epistles are couched in language suggesting more than ordinary intelligence and culture. Indeed one letter was remarkable for its imagery of melancholic fancy.

Miss Thatcher, who was the first to reach Miss Graham's side after she had taken the poison, says she mentioned no man's name, but called for Miss Julia Fitch, 59 Windmere avenue, East Cleveland, moaning that she had something to tell Miss Fitch before she died. The latter was a former resident of Medina and is a sister of Mrs. Ray Holcomb.

Leaves Leroy for Post in India

Mr. Don W. Griffin, who has had charge of the work in agriculture in the Leroy high school for the past five months has resigned his position to go to India in the service of the Presbyterian Missionary Board. He will teach in the Ewing Christian college at Allahabad and will do practical work in agriculture on a farm owned by the British government. Mr. Griffin's resignation means a decided loss to the Leroy schools and to all West-field township, as the practical work given by him in agriculture and allied sciences was of value to the whole community. He has done much to extend the work of the school in a practical way among the patrons of the school.

Mr. Harry Simmermacher, a graduate of the College of Agriculture of Ohio State University has been secured to fill the vacancy. He comes highly recommended by the University authorities.

BOARD OF TRADE BUSY

At the adjourned meeting of the Board of Trade Thursday evening of last week a verbal report was made by Mayor Randall, chairman of the band committee, which met with favor from the board members present and seems to portend unusual activity toward putting the band upon a substantial basis. It was advised that the board assume the guardianship of the band and employ them at a fixed salary an experienced instructor and director, with the view of developing to the highest degree possible the already large amount of musical talent which the Medina band possesses. The report of the committee was accepted and the committee discharged.

At this same meeting Wednesday, Feb. 3, was determined upon for the annual banquet. It will be held at Leroy and will cost each attendant the nominal sum of \$1.50. After the banquet final action will be taken in the matter of the band and its instructor and director.

Y. M. C. A. Notes

Wadsworth boys enjoyed a special basketball game in connection with their regular activities Friday evening arranged for the junior and senior groups respectively by physical leader Meyer. On Monday evening the Wadsworth board of directors held another meeting in the interests of the Annual County Boys' Conference, set for February 20. Preliminary arrangements were made for the banquet at the new Trinity Reformed church and for a trip through the manufacturing plants.

A happy crowd of young people came through the snow storm and enjoyed an evening of games, oysters and other good things at the Grangerburg Grange hall Friday night. Mrs. Clara Miller prepared the excellent supper stew, which, with cakes, pickles, etc., was served by a committee of young men to an appreciative table full.

An encouraging increase in attendance and interest marked last week's meeting of the Chatham association.

Ralph Grannis has recently taken up the leadership of physical activities for the Lodi group of high school boys. Secretary Ned Brogan's regular report to the county office shows continued activity in the study course as well as a lively interest in the newly acquired opportunity for basketball.

Chippewa Lake now has two active Bible study groups, each following the course outlined by Augustus Nash on "Jesus' Life." A supper and social featured this weeks meeting.

The schedule of the various Medina groups is now such that leaders and members of the different groups find it necessary to follow the outlined program to avoid conflicting sessions.

AWARD FOR INJURY

The State Industrial Commission on Tuesday granted an award to Arthur Johnson of Western Star for an injury recently sustained by him while in the employ of the Wadsworth Salt Co., at Wadsworth. The award of the commission was granted under the provision of the Ohio Workmen's Compensation Law. A medical bill of \$23.50 was also paid for him from the state insurance fund.

THE B. & O. R. R. CO.

The B. & O. R. R. Co., has adopted new methods with newspapers that cannot help but be greatly beneficial to that railroad. Heretofore when an accident or a wreck occurred, the railroad went on the theory that the public be damned. Every employee was instructed to be as close-mouthed as a clam, and you couldn't twist an item of news out of the men higher up with a corkscrew. When the Chicago-New York train on the B. & O. was derailed at Warwick a few days ago, the newspaper men were sent for and given every detail of the accident, and all sensational reports were thus avoided. What the people as well as the railroad want is correct and reliable information and the only way to get it is to play fair with the newspapers.

SUCCESSFUL INSTITUTE

The opening session of the Wadsworth farmer's institute was held in the opera house Monday morning, meetings being continued Monday afternoon and evening and on Tuesday. The Monday program was carried out as previously arranged with the exception of the address of J. F. Hudson, who was unable to be present at any of the sessions.

After excellent music by the Grassville quartet whose unique performance delighted the audience, the invocation was pronounced by Rev. G. T. N. Beam and the address of welcome given by Pres. J. N. Longacre. Mr. Herrick a big land owner near Hudson was present and gave an excellent talk on "Reclaiming the worn-out farm" in which he showed how easily and with what good results apparently worn-out land could be made productive again. "Home sanitation," by Dr. Mary E. Anderson dealt largely with the diet, and a correct list of foods to be used was given. Dr. Anderson showed how the most expensive food is not always the most nutritious, the case being often the opposite.

"The Fertilization of Meadows" by Gail T. Abbott ably described the newest methods of preserving the fertility of meadows and especially in relation to the timothy crop.

The attendance at the meetings was very good, the good sleighing making it more accessible to farmers. The average attendance was about 200.

PROBATE COURT

Report of sale of desperate claims filed is assignment of the M. E. Frazier Co.

Will of Christina W. Geckler and application for probate filed. Hearing set for Feb. 23.

Thomson Cook appointed trustee of the trust estate of Bert Cook. No bond.

Report filed of sale of personal property in estate of Mary E. Day. First and final account also filed.

First partial account filed in estate of Francis E. Curtiss.

Second and final account filed in assignment of the M. E. Frazier Co.

Accounts set for hearing Feb. 19, and ordered paid as follows: estates of G. L. Arnold, D. Repp, Mary E. Day; guardianship of E. Thomas Siegfried, Carl Gilbert; assignment of the M. E. Frazier Co.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William F. Johnson of Grafton and Melva L. Moore of Medina.

Herman L. Smith of Wellington and Ollie L. Handy of Spencer.

Death Summons Hiram Mallory

Death on Monday claimed still another of Medina county's old citizens in the person of Hiram W. Mallory of Lafayette, who had been in ill health for a long time. Mr. Mallory had spent the larger part of his long life in the vicinity in which he died.

The deceased was born Dec. 21, 1840, and besides the widow is survived by four sons and two daughters—Albert of California, Frank of Cleveland, Clifford of Akron, Baine of Chippewa Lake, Mrs. Mary Chittenden of Wooster and Mrs. Ina Norton of Lafayette. All were present for the funeral except Albert.

The funeral was held at the Northwest Lafayette church, on Wednesday at 12 o'clock, Rev. Whitehair officiating.

MAYOR BUSY AGAIN

Upon complaint of his daughter Mary, Chas. Humphrey of S. Elmwood street was arrested Wednesday night charged with drunkenness and general disorder. Before Mayor Randall Thursday morning Humphrey acknowledged the charge and that booze was responsible for his downfall. The booze, according to Humphrey, was given him by John Waite, a fellow workman. Mayor Randall assessed a fine of \$5 and costs and 30 days in the workhouse on Humphrey, and on a promise of good behavior and cessation of boozing, suspended all of the sentence but the costs. Humphrey agreed to the conditions. Waite was then haled into court and confessed to giving Humphrey liquor. It appeared that Waite, a foreigner, whose residence is a box car alongside the railroad tracks, was ignorant of the liquor law so far as giving liquor to another, and was let off with a fine of \$5 and costs, all of which was exacted and paid.

WATCH YOUR COW FEED

Our old friend W— of Homerville tells us that he went into his cow stable the other night and by mistake mixed her up a nice mash in a box full of sawdust instead of bran. The cow merely supposing that the hard times had come and they were all going to economize, meekly ate her supper and the man never discovered his mistake until the next morning when he milked the cow and she let down a half gallon of turpentine, a quart of shoe pegs and a bundle of lath.

SENATE CONFIRMS AULT

Former Mayor W. A. Ault, after a hard struggle has succeeded in landing the Wadsworth postoffice, over his rival, A. D. Blough, former druggist. Ault's appointment was confirmed by the Senate Tuesday. He will succeed Postmaster Morgan N. Neath in a few weeks.

The fight for the office has been bitter for several months. Both men had representatives in Washington, wire pulling. Ault received the recommendation of Congressman William Gordon.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Chas. Edwards to Peter Schmidt, 75 acres, Wadsworth, \$25.
W. E. and B. E. Haines to F. R. Easton, 20.74 acres, Leroy village, \$3.
Daniel Long to Harry Shriner, lot 11, Lodi village, \$450.
Wm. McFadden et al. to H. C. McFadden, 60 acres, Montville, \$1.
Peter Schmidt to Margaret Swartz, 75 acres, Wadsworth, \$25.
R. F. Weaver to Chas. Edwards, 75 acres, Wadsworth, \$25.